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## DEATH REMOVES ONE OF IRMA DISTRICT'S EARLY PIONEERS

GEORGE ALBERT TRIPP

Mr. George Albert Tripp, one of Irma's first settlers passed away on Sunday, July 23rd at the home of his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mills, in Edmonton. The late Mr. Tripp was 61 years of age on July 10th. He leaves to mourn his loss besides his wife, one sister, Mrs. B. Wein, and one brother, Mr. Wm. R. Tripp, both of Fitzroy, Ont.

Coming to the Irma district in 1906, Mr. Tripp filed on a homestead in the Clark Manor district, and in 1908 when the townsite of Irma was established he bought the first lots and established a business here.

Mr. Tripp being a Past Master of Graton Lodge A. F. and A. M., and Past W.P. of Sunshine Chapter No. 78 O.E.S., and having served several terms on the Village Council besides being an active member of the Irma Agricultural Society, was always ready to lend a hand to any enterprise of vital interest, or lend a hand in sickness or distress. He will be sorely missed by his host of friends of Irma, Wainwright and surrounding districts.

The funeral service was held from the Irma United Church and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. E. Longmire, and at the graveside by the Masonic Lodge. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. Bishop, A. Blakey, F. Weise, E. Tomlinson, A. E. Foxwell and V. Larson.

The large number of lovely floral tributes showed the high esteem in which the deceased was held and came from the following:

His Lonely Wife; Rob. Margaret and Alex Smallwood; Clifford, Peggy and Lorraine Smallwood; Ernie, Maud, Erna, Audrey Maie, Bobby, Mills, Edmonton; Helena, Donald, Susie and Jack McKay; Nelt, Margaret and Jack Thompson, Boston, Mass.; Graton Lodge Brothers, A.F. and A.M. 144; Officers and members of the Victoria A.F. and A.M. Lodge 112, Jarow; Irma Ladies Aid; Old Timers' Association, Wainwright; Mrs. M. Arnold and Girls; Mr. and Mrs. Reeds and Ruth; Mrs. Miss Flewelling and Mrs. Tate; Jim Pond and Family; Jack and Alice Fletcher; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Erickson; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Matthews; Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lason and Family; Mr. and Mrs. Clelland; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hill; Mr. and Mrs. S. Oldham and Family; Mr. and Mrs. J. Bishop and Sheila; Mr. and Mrs. Foxwell and Joyce; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones; Mr. and Mrs. Alf Buehn and Family; Joe Gubra and Family; George Yonker; Mr. and Mrs. McFarland; Mr. and Mrs. Hollinger; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Fisher; Mr. and Mrs. James Fenton; Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Fenton; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fenton; Woody Clark; Mrs. J. C. Knudsen, Althia and Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and Family; Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Simmons; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Simmons; Sieurd and Norma; Vog and Peder and Nannie Nilson; Mr. and Mrs. Pryce Jones; Mary and Kathleen; Wm. Masson Family; The Peterson Families; Mr. and Mrs. D. Ramsay and Family; Henry Kast, Robert Kaska and Family; J. A. Hedley; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jones and Family; Mrs. Mills, Maie, Janet and Audrey Edmonton; H. W. Love and J. R. Love, Edmonton; Stanley Nettie and Family, Edmonton; Mrs. Hill and Mildred, Edmonton; Joe and

Irene Hardy, Edmonton; Ned Ripley, Edmonton; Ted and Keitha Ockenden, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart, Wainwright. Messages of Sympathy received from: Don and Myrtle, Jasper; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Purvis, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Congrave, Edmonton; Audrey, Bruce and Beverly Ballah, Edmonton; Mrs. Thos. Hodgins, Fergus, Sask.; Mr. and Mrs. Porteous, Vancouver; Const. in Ella Muchie, Vancouver, and Sister Eliza Weis, Fitzroy Harbor; Mrs. A. Simmons, Irva; Marion Tripp, Ont.; R. H. Langhlin, Ont.; Imperial Lumber Co., Edmonton; Mrs. Schonert and Family, Calgary.

## SOCIAL CREDIT CONVENTION

The various social credit groups of Irma and vicinity were well represented at the nominating convention of that party held in Wainwright Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Ably presided over by an efficient chairman in the person of F. Dixon, the meeting proved highly educational in character. The matter of the examining board was clearly presented in its entirety by James Jackson of Glenholm local. The presence of three M.L.A.s and two M.P.s was a valuable adjunct to the gathering. Messrs. of Wainwright, Const. Berg of Alexandria, together with J. A. Macleod, sec. Social Credit League of Alberta, specially urged support of the present provincial government and warmly advocated unanimity in the ranks. Further than this, Hooke, M.L.A., of Red Deer, gave a good explanation of the need of and workings of the credit houses.

Robt. Fair, M.P. for Battle River, spoke briefly and to the point on his efforts to establish a \$60 minimum F.O.B. price for wheat.

Marshall, M.P. for Camrose, decried the present banking system and spoke at length on the inadequacy of the Mortgage Bank.

A visitor from Ireland commented favorably on the advances made by the application of Douglas' theories on the Emerald Isle. Mrs. Fee, of Vermillion urged women to take a more active part in the Social Credit movement and disclaimed all responsibility for women in the present undemocratic state of democracy in the world.

Messrs. Fair and Smith of Paradise Valley and Csar, respectively, and Mrs. Fee, of Vermillion, stood for nomination which was refused by E. Rifford of Irma; following which a secret vote on these nominees was taken and recorded for future reference by the examining board.

Community singing was led by Mrs. Wilson and Miss Greer, after afternoon and evening, and Miss Greer favored the convention with solos.

E. R. Fay, communist, presented a plea for more co-operation among the various new democratic parties.

**SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
J. R. Stole, Pastor  
Sharon—Divine Service (Norwegian) 11:30.

A parochial school program will be held at Sharon Church on Sunday morning at 10:30. Everybody welcome.

## Crop Reports Show That Moisture is Badly Needed

ALBERTA AGRICULTURAL REPORT No. 6

For period ending July 24, 1939

**GENERAL**—During the past two weeks the prospects for a heavy crop have suffered a decline due to the extremely hot, dry weather which has prevailed throughout most of the province. Only in the Peace River district and in the area north-west of Edmonton has there been an improvement in conditions.

Crops made such strong vigorous growth in June and early July that they have made especially heavy demands on moisture reserves during the past two weeks of above normal temperatures. Where moisture was limited, some damage has resulted mainly in the appearance of white caps and over most of the province rains are needed to prevent further deterioration. Fortunately, a good many local showers have occurred which are very beneficial.

Conditions in all other branches of agriculture are satisfactory. Any deterioration in pastures has not as yet been reflected in the live stock or dairy industries. Fodder is in good condition. The secretion of honey has been very heavy during the past two weeks.

No serious damage from hail or other causes has been reported.

**FIELD CROPS**—Wheat is practically all headed and in the south the stubbled-in crop is turning rapidly. There is a good length of straw and heads are promising, although additional moisture must be received if the grain is to fill well. The earlier heavy growth has taxed moisture reserves to the maximum during the period of high temperatures. Cooler weather or further rains are needed to alleviate these conditions.

**Corn**—Grains are standing well. In many districts they are fully headed and promise high yields.

There have been no reports of a serious nature regarding damage. Grasshoppers are still present in some districts, but they are not a serious menace at the present time.

**BANK OF MONTREAL**  
CROP REPORT No. 7

**General**—Crop conditions in the prairie provinces continue favorable on the whole, although some damage has occurred as a result of hot weather, particularly in south eastern Saskatchewan and in the southern portions of Alberta and Manitoba. Moderate rains and light showers in many districts have checked deterioration but further moisture is required to aid filling. Grasshoppers, which are now in flight, are a serious menace to crops, but apart from southeastern Saskatchewan where some severe damage has occurred, losses so far have not been extensive.

Hail damage is reported at scattered points. In Quebec crops continue to make good progress under favorable conditions and the outlook is promising. With recent showers, moisture is ample, and the warm, dry weather now prevailing is proving beneficial. In Ontario the continued dry weather has facilitated harvesting operations and the condition of the crops is good generally. Moisture however, has become inadequate, and rain is urgently needed for growing crops. In the Maritime provinces, while growth in some districts is still backward, crops made good progress during the past week and prospects continue favorable. There is ample moisture and warm, dry weather is needed to hasten development.

In British Columbia, with the continuance of favorable weather all crops are making good progress. While the quality of hay is only fair and the prospects for tomatoes is below average, the outlook for grain, roots and vegetables is good, and indications point to fruit yields being from 90 per cent to 100 per cent of average.

**Alberta**—Crops have deteriorated during the past week chiefly owing to insufficient moisture and winds in central and southern areas. Rains are required in these areas for filling and for checking deterioration. The weather in northern areas has been showery and cool. Light yields are expected in the Peace River district due to early drought.

**SEABE PRECIPITATION REPORT No. 12**

Moisture conditions on the prairie provinces, although showing a slight decline from last week in Alberta, and Saskatchewan, have been reasonably well maintained. During the past week Manitoba received some very heavy but apparently spotty rains, the heaviest of those appearing to have occurred in the northern part of the crop area.

The moisture condition for the three prairie provinces as a unit, combining the fall reserves and the current growing season moisture, is now 110 per cent of normal. This compares with 111 last week and 88 a year ago.

Alberta is now 108 per cent as compared with 105 last week and 90 a year ago.

Saskatchewan is now 119 per cent as compared with 121 last week and 87 a year ago.

Manitoba is now 87 per cent as compared with 86 last week and 84 a year ago.

## Ball Tournament Successful

The Irma Hockey Club sponsored a very successful ball tournament on Thursday, July 27th. All told there were five baseball teams, five men's softball teams and three ladies' softball teams on hand to make a scramble for first money. In the baseball section, Irma and Wainwright put on a one-sided contest with Irma on top by a score of 13-3. The next tussle between Killam and Minburn turned out more one-sided than the first the Killam side being 10-0.

**Minburn 11.** It was then announced that Irma must take on the odd team from Csar. This game proved to be more interesting. Csar took and held the lead for the first few innings but Irma gradually forged ahead until when the game ended the score was 11 to 5 in favor of the home boys. This of course meant that Irma and Killam would have to fight for the big money. After giving the Irma team half an hour rest they went at it but they were out-played by their opponents. Killam played a good game of ball while Irma was below par partly due to the fact that it was their third game. The final score was 7 to 1 in favor of Killam who carried off the first prize of \$75, while Irma received \$25 for their share. A. R. Harper of Jarow refereed these games with Art Hockett as base umpire.

While the baseball games were being played softball was also in progress in another part of the grounds. The Irma men's team lost out by a wide margin to Orbindale in the first game. Other games followed in which the Peterson, Strawberry Plains and Roseberry teams competed. Out of all this mix-up the Peterson team composed entirely of Petersons, brothers, cousins and so on, and the Orbindale team had eliminated all comers and finally squared away for the deciding game. This was won by Orbindale who were handed \$10 while their opponents had to be satisfied with \$6. Charlie Glover refereed these games.

The girls' softball games provided the most excitement of the day as each game was very closely contested. The first game was played by the Albert and Orbindale teams, Orbindale winning by 11 to 10. Orbindale then engaged the Viking team in friendly combat. The Viking was leading by three points when the last inning started but when the game ended after a great burst of speed, Orbindale was one run ahead winning the first prize of \$8 and Viking \$4 for second place.

Besides these games an extra attraction of Van Dusen Bros. shows was on the grounds providing other forms of amusement for young and old. The weather was fine and the attendance good. The Women's Institute handled the lunch counter. An enjoyable dance was held in Keller's hall in the evening with Merita's orchestra of Viking supplying the music.

## Kinsella to Vote on Beer Parlor

KINSELLA LOCAL OPTION AREA ESTABLISHED

A local option area for the purpose of taking a vote for and against a beer parlor has been established with the hamlet of Kinsella as centre, according to a notice in a recent issue of the Alberta Gazette. The area in which residents will have the right to vote is as follows: "Commencing at the southeast corner of Section 30, township 45, range 10, west of the 4th meridian; thence west to the southwest corner of section 25-45-10; thence north to the north boundary of Twp. 46; thence east along the north boundary of Twp. 46-12 and 11, to the production southerly of the east boundary of Sec. 5-47-11; thence north to the northeast corner of Sec. 17-48-11; thence east to the northeast corner of Sec. 16-48-10; thence south to the north boundary of Twp. 48-10; thence west to the northeast corner of Sec. 31-48-10; thence south to the point of commencement."

A plebiscite "For Beer License" and "Against Beer License" will be submitted to the qualified electors at a poll to be taken by ballot on Friday, August 25th, from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Frank Williams has been appointed returning officer.

**WAINWRIGHT SCHOOL DIVISION No. 32**

Sealed tenders for 400 tons of Double Screened Lump Coal will be received at the office of the Wainwright School Division No. 32 until Noon August 10th, 1939. Tenders may be made separately for the supplying or for the delivery to school, or both items may be combined in a single tender, in either case for all or any portion of the schools of the Division. Further particulars upon request.

D. H. Currie,  
Secretary-treasurer

## ALBERT DISTRICT NEWS

Miss Edith McRoberts left for Edmonton last Thursday after visiting her aunt there. She will join friends at Lacombe in a motor trip to Banff.

Messrs. Gerald and Ivan Currie are busy on a new home for Mr. Alf Larson.

Misses Edna Jones and Evelyn McRoberts received the welcome news that they had passed in all Grade XII subjects which they wrote in June.

A number of friends visited Mrs. R. Larson on the occasion of her birthday July 26th. After an enjoyable afternoon, Mrs. Larson served a delicious lunch. Those present were Mrs. Ivan Currie, Mrs. Gerald Currie, Mrs. H. Larson, Miss Wilma Currie, Mrs. De Fraim and Mrs. L. Mikkelsen.

On Tuesday, August 1st, Mrs. C. L. Currie entertained a number of the Albert ladies in honor of Miss Alice Gordon, who left on Wednesday for Manitoba. At the close of a very pleasant afternoon, lunch was served by the Misses Currie and Miss E. McRoberts.

At the next meeting of the W.I. each member is requested to bring a dozen eggs to be donated to a charitable institution in the city.

Mr. Carl Bjork, visited in the district on Sunday.

The Irma Women's Institute are sponsoring a dental clinic under Dr. H. L. Caldwell and Dr. E. V. Strimbert on Tuesday, August 29. This clinic is only for school children whose parents cannot afford dental treatment. All parents wishing to take advantage of this clinic please give the names of the children to the secretary not later than Tuesday, August 15th, as the list has to be given in to the doctors on that day. Any names sent in after that date cannot be included.

"Moral reconstruction and re-education should be the main aims of the warden in Canada, in an attempt to bring reasonable security to the prisoners while taking into consideration their crimes and their individual characteristics." — Dr. Sylvio Lafortune.

## Another Hop at Rodino Hall

BIG DANCE AT RODINO HALL FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th

A big dance will be held in the Rodino hall under the auspices of the Rodino Athletic club on Friday evening, August 11th. A five-piece orchestra from Bruce will furnish the music. Everybody welcome.

On account of the sports day in Irma on July 27th, the Alma Mater and Roseberry Ladies Aid meeting is postponed to August 8th.

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## Economic Colonization

It must come somewhat as a surprise to prairie farmers and Western Canadians generally, who have felt and still are feeling the impact of an economic and agricultural depression of great severity, to find Eastern publications persistently harping upon the necessity of opening the gates of this country to more agriculturists as a condition precedent to free migration from European countries.

There can be no gainsaying of the argument of the protagonists of colonization that this country needs a greater population to help carry the burden of the cost of transportation and other facilities with which the wide-open but sparsely settled spaces of the west have been provided at considerable expense, but when it is suggested that the type of settler most needed is farmer, whether experienced or otherwise, there should not be any room for a difference of opinion.

The answer, so far as the west is concerned, must necessarily be in the negative, as long as the bulk of agricultural production in this country consists of commodities which must be sold in world markets at prices which are set by world competition.

Even in countries, or sections of this country, where agriculture is highly diversified, expert economists have found that 15 per cent. of the population can easily supply the food requirements of the entire country. How, then, is the problem of producing at a margin of profit going to be solved in a country in which more than 50 per cent. of the population is engaged in agriculture and is forced to sell the bulk of its production with other producing countries, by bringing in more agriculturists?

### All Occupied Now

Practically all of the arable land in Western Canada and some land which is not productive is now under tillage and there is even some suggestion on the part of economists that some of this acreage will have to be curtailed, if the farmers already on the land are to be able to continue to make a living.

Those who are farming marginal lands cannot hope to make a profit if the bulk of their produce has to be sold in world competitive markets and, if the economists are to be believed, those who are farming the most productive land must scale their costs down to a low figure if they are to make their venture profitable, and that means poor farming on considerable scale, which, in turn, means a comparatively sparse rural population over a wide stretch of country, just so long as the bulk of production cannot be disposed of in local markets.

What, then, is to become of the immigrant agriculturist? Is he to be expected to wrest a living out of marginal lands which others have found unprofitable, or is he to occupy good productive land which must be equipped with expensive machinery for large scale farming, involving displacement of the present owners or occupants? If the latter, what becomes of the present owners or occupants, and to what extent does the country benefit by the advent of the new farmer-settler?

When facts and the conditions under which agriculture has to be operated in the Canadian west be successful are given their full weight, it is difficult to see how anyone can, at the present time, advocate an influx of more agriculturists from other countries.

### The Required Type

As stated at the outset, more population is required to help carry the burden of taxation which has been found necessary to maintain the country's governmental operations and to finance the debt which has been incurred to provide the people with facilities and services.

But the type of settler needed is one who will be a consumer and not a producer of agricultural products, thus widening the domestic markets and enabling established farmers to dispose of a larger percentage of their commodities at home and a smaller proportion abroad.

The new settler, to fit into the needs of the country, must also be a producer, but not a producer of agricultural commodities. Not only must he be a producer, but he must be a skilled worker. There are now in Canada one has only to scan the relief lists in the cities to secure the evidence.

If immigration is to be allowed, the new settlers should be skilled workers versed in the technical arts of converting some of the natural resources of the country into commercially useful commodities. Only immigrants of this type, under existing conditions, can be expected to be of economic value, even in the east and much more so in the west. They, and they alone, are in a position to assist the country towards the goal of a better balanced economy.

### Youth Training Plan

#### Establishing Young Men in Courses Connected With Aviation

Several provinces now have agreements with the Dominion in connection with the youth training plan, and schedules of projects are being drafted. Attention is being given to establishing courses for young men in trades associated with aviation.

Some months ago Hon. Ian MacKenzie, defence minister, and Hon. Norman Rogers, labor minister, discussed the possibilities of training youths as air mechanics. The figure initially mentioned was 2,000.

The hope was entertained that over the three-year period of the plan a large proportion of the men might embrace the opportunity to engage with the R.C.A.F., while others would be absorbed by the civil aviation companies and the aircraft manufacturing industry generally.

Canada's aircraft industry flourishes in four provinces—Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia. At the same time prospects are for substantial increase in personnel of the R.C.A.F. in the next three years.

A doorway in a ruined building at Karnak, Egypt, is 60 feet high and 23 feet wide, and the double doors must have weighed 12 tons each.

Insect life exists as high as four miles above the surface of the earth.

### Competitive Armaments

#### Civilization Cannot Stand Present Killing Pace Much Longer

We talk of another Great War destroying civilization. But how long can civilization sustain the present killing pace in competitive armaments? Business—which is the lifeblood of a civilized people—stands shivering on the brink of adventure, hardly daring to wet its toes in the waters of expansion and profit, lest war come down like night and put an end to both expansion and profit. Thus it is not only that the tax-gatherer and the politician but the ominous tread of approaching fate frightens the players away.

It would seem as if there ought to be enough sane and clear-sighted people alive to combine to put an end to this nightmare. If the nations which have the intelligence to see that the mad race toward disaster cannot go on forever would pool their superior strength, they could set up court in the midst of international anarchy and compel all litigants who think they have grievances to submit their cases for settlement. There is not a village in Canada or the United States where the citizens would permit such a crazed, murderous, mining camp condition to exist over-night.

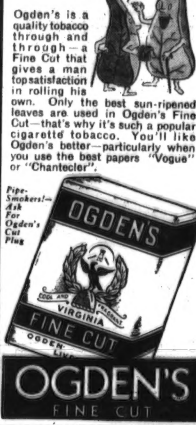
Is there not as much sense in the still civilized sections of humanity as there is in any typical Canadian village?—Montreal Star.

### Sounds Like Good Advice

#### Young Men Should Be Active In Some Political Party

Robert Bond, age 89, told the Tory convention in West Ottawa that he has been fighting the battle of his party since he was 14. His advice to young men was to join a party and thus help fellow-Canadians to advance the good of their country. There are people who never go to church who find fault with all churches. They assume a privilege to which they have no claim or right. And it is the same with the indifferent public who condemn both political parties, and only take a negative interest in matters of public concern.—St. Catharines Standard.

### THAT REMINDS ME THERE'S MORE QUALITY IN OGDEN'S



### Canadian Timber

#### British Government Decides That Canada Best Source Of Lumber In War Time

The British government has decided that Canada is the best source of supply for lumber coal mine props in war time.

Geoffrey Lloyd, secretary for mines, announced a comprehensive scheme for the control of prices and supplies of coal gas and electricity in war time which could be put into immediate operation.

At present Britain spends \$3,500,000 (\$16,380,000) annually for imported pit props, mostly from Scandinavian and Baltic countries. The government plan calls for Canada to get the bulk of this trade in war time.

It is understood that comprehensive plans already have been made by colliery companies and timber importers.

The wartime control scheme will have the object of maintaining production of coal at the level necessary for the industrial effort of the nation. Prices will be set and supplies distributed and rationed with priority for essential industries.

Supplies of coal, gas and electricity will be rationed to domestic users through a system of government-appointed officers. Export of coal will be prohibited except by government licence. Every effort will be made to limit exports to allied countries.

### Canadian Gold Mines

#### Production Has Increased Enormously During The Past 20 Years

According to a survey made at Toronto, Canadian gold mines increased production enormously in the last 20 years. About 1920 the gold output of Canada was nine per cent. of that of South Africa. Ten years ago it was equal to 18 per cent. and in 1938 nearly 30 per cent.

Of the 55 gold mines in the world that produce more than 100,000 ounces annually, 10 are in Canada. These are Hollinger, Lake Shore, Noranda, McIntyre, Wright-Hargreaves, Dome, Lamaque, Hudson Bay, Teck-Hughes and Bralorne. It was noteworthy that 4% of the 55 largest gold mines are under British control, divided as follows: South Africa, 32; Canada, 10; Gold Coast, 2; Australia, 1; Rhodesia, 1. Largest producer is Crown Mines in the Transvaal.—Canadian Press.

### Taking Home The Proof

#### American Fishermen Would Need Story To Match Picture

There would be some tall fish stories told when a couple of American tourists returned home after their cruise in Canadian waters. A butcher at Midland, Ont., bought two lake trout, one weighing 43 pounds and the other 34 pounds, from an Indian fisherman.

The tourists spied the whoppers in the butcher shop window and an idea developed. They borrowed the fish and two fishing rods from a sports shop across the street and then had their pictures taken with the fish, but not in front of the butcher shop. The pair spent the rest of the day mapping out their stories to tell envious friends back home about the "big fellows that didn't get away."

There are approximately 10,000 independent oil producers in the United States, as well as 538 refineries, 10,000 jobbers and 250,000 retail oil dealers. 2318

### Stays To The Finish

#### When John Bull Starts Anything He Always Sees It Through

It's been known for a long time that when old John Bull finally gets going he's pretty much of a terror. The last to start fighting, he's invariably the last to quit.

Latest demonstration of this characteristic was given by the British House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon. Sir John told the House that Britain's expenditure on armaments this year would reach the astonishing figure of \$3,416,000,000.

That should be an eye-opener for even Herr Hitler. In Germany they've been picturing Mr. Chamberlain as an elderly, benevolent and somewhat bewildered gentleman, carrying an umbrella. But the elderly benevolent gentleman, betrayed, has turned to forging his umbrella into the world's mightiest weapon.

Britain to-day is turning out as many airplanes as Germany; will soon be turning out more than Germany; and has the mightiest fleet in battle array that history has seen upon the seas. The British, in fact, quote the words spoken Thursday by the new Inspector General of their home forces, have become "fed up with the ruddy dictators"; have begun to talk tough and act tough on their own.

And Britain has more than airships and battle fleets and guns. Britain has the money. This year, Sir John Simon showed she will spend altogether some \$7,000,000,000—almost equal to the total of all Canada's debts, national, provincial and municipal.

They are a tremendous people, those quiet-spoken inhabitants of the British Isles. Just now, in what they are doing, they are the world's best insurance policy against the designs and pretensions of international bullies and tyrants.—From the Ottawa Journal.

### In The Far East

#### Some Interesting Information Is Contained In New Book

Neal O'Hara tells us in the New York Post that from John Gunther's "Inside Asia," you learn that the Japanese Prime Minister's salary is \$2,092 a year; a belch following a meal in Nippon is a compliment; an average of 29,000 persons are picked up in the streets of Shanghai each year, dead of starvation, yet in the same city one may dine at a restaurant where a dinner costs \$600, that American cigarettes sell at a lower price in India than in the United States.

### Money In Pigs

Pigs have rooted their way into second place in Canada's agricultural exports, the value of bacon hog exports being exceeded only by wheat shipments. Last year pigs brought our farmers over \$65,000,000 of which \$30,000,000 came from abroad.

In Brazil and Venezuela, prospectors for iron ore often discover rich deposits by a certain type of orchid which thrives in the iron-bearing soil.

There are seven million bicycles in the United States.

### Contributed By Harrod's

#### A Salute To The Royal Ambassadors Of Friendship

From a conquest without parallel in history, from a victory which has lifted the spirit and cheered the souls of half mankind, from the happiest crusade the world has ever known, our King and Queen come smiling back to Homeland.

Not merely with loyal and dutiful greeting do our people receive them, and with a heightened pride and gratitude beyond all pageantry of welcome; for they have turned the eyes of a troubled world to brighter horizons, toward the vision splendid. They have proved that true nobility of character, inborn graciousness and selfless devotion contribute more surely to the goodwill and contentment of peoples than all the armories of earth.

God grant that one day this lesson may be so learnt the wide world over that individuals and nations will come to build, here a little, there a little, on these foundations, enduring peace and happiness and freedom for all the children of men.

"God Save Their Majesties". (Famous British Mercantile House ran this full-page advertisement in the London Times to mark the return of King George and Queen Elizabeth from Canada.)

### Estates In Sicily

#### Premier Mussolini Has Ten-Year Plan To Divide Large Holdings

Premier Mussolini has announced a 10-year plan to break up large landed estates in Sicily and to substitute small farms cultivated by the families living upon them.

The plan contemplates establishment of 20,000 individual farms in an area of about 1,250,000 acres at a private and public cost of \$4,000,000,000 lire (\$208,000,000). The large landowners are expected to cooperate voluntarily and receive compensation for their land.

The wealthiest Sicilian landlords are the Prince of Trabia, Prince Mazzario, and the Dukes of Transacra and Salaparuta. The island's chief products are wheat and wine.

### A Timely Warning

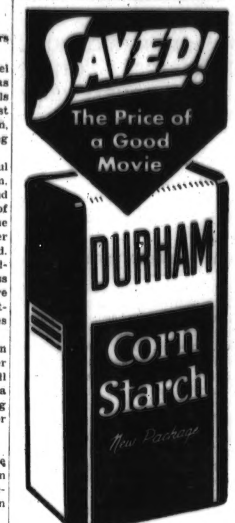
#### Swimmers Should Remember Not To Go Beyond Their Depth

There has been an appalling toll of deaths by drowning already this summer and many of them are traceable to swimmers getting beyond their depth and strong swimmers losing their lives attempting rescue. It is just as enjoyable swimming in water in which one can find a footing as in too deep water and no one, unless he is a strong and expert swimmer should go beyond his depth.

### New Indian Tribe Member

#### Helen Keller Made Blood Sister Of Stoney's At Banff

Miss Helen Keller of New York, famous blind and deaf woman, was made a "blood-sister" of the Stoney Indian tribe of southern Alberta at a ceremony at Banff, Alta. She is now "White Plume" of the Stoney, the second white woman to be adopted into the tribe. The first was Mrs. Norman K. Luxton, of Banff.



### Wonderful Recipe For Caramel Pudding

(Note: When well chilled, this dessert may be unmixed.)

Stir ¼ cup brown sugar in shallow pan over low heat until sugar has melted and browned delicately. Slowly stir in ½ cup boiling water and cook, stirring often, until caramel has melted and syrup thickened slightly. Mix ½ cup brown sugar very thoroughly with 4 tablespoons Durham Corn Starch and ¼ teaspoon salt; stir in 2½ cups hot milk. Stir and cook in double boiler until mixture thickens. Add the caramel syrup; cover and cook, with occasional stirring, until no raw flavor remains. Remove from heat and add ¼ teaspoon vanilla. Cool slightly and turn into wet moulds or dessert glasses. Serve cold. Delicious with cream, plain or whipped. Nutmegs or chopped dates a grand addition. D13

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### A Grower Of Orchids

#### British Millionaire Has Produced Many Rare And Costly Plants

Sir Jeremiah Colman, millionaire because he developed the tiny wild mustard flower, now at 80 grower of orchids—had one of the loveliest stands at the Chelsea Flower Show, which opened in a gale recently.

He has spent years breeding from the wild plants that are sent to him from South America. When he finally produces a plant of rare color and unusual shape, worth hundreds of pounds, he gives cuttings away to his wife. He never sells them. The show was full of contradictions—a china blue poppy, a spike lily just like a bluebell, delphiniums like hollyhocks, carnations like sweet williams.—London Daily Chronicle.

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# THE RIVER OF SKULLS



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GEORGE MARSH

## CHAPTER I—Continued

The crust offered good footing and with snowshoes on the sled and with what strength remained in their uncertain legs Noel and Alan followed the dog over the river ice up the valley.

Turning in shore at the water hole in the ice they followed a beaten trail back into the timber.

"Something ver' strange here," said the puzzled Indian, shaking his hooded head. "Dis sees no Montagnaise camp. We are de dog sign?"

"No, there are no signs of dogs, no signs of wolf, look at that!"

"By gar, white men on de Talking River?"

Standing beside the husky whose throat rumbled as he suspiciously sniffed the air while the hair of his mane and back slowly rose, Alan and Noel gazed in amazement at the substantial log building, banked high with snow, which stood in the centre of the clearing that opened before them.

"White men on the Talking River!" Alan repeated, his curious eyes noting the size of the log cabin with its large mud-plastered chimney, the huge platform cache evidently piled with supplies which were covered by canvas, the two pairs of snowshoes and the toboggan sled stuck in the snow beside the door, and close by, the ample remains of what had evidently been an enormous wood-pile in the autumn.

Dizzy from weakness Alan started for the cabin. Reaching the slab door he struck it with his mittened hand and called out: "Hello! Hello there, inside!"

For answer the door slowly swung in and the two pinched faces in the hood stared into the black muzzle of an automatic pistol. Hunched behind the pistol stood a bearded giant of a man whose ice-blue eyes glittered hostilely beneath a livid scar that gouged his forehead.

In all the wide north, starving men were not greeted in this fashion. Alan Cameron's hollow eyes flamed with anger as he met the cold stare that probed his.

"You don't need that gun," he rasped. "We're starved out. Our trap-lines are on the Mad River. We trade at Fort George. A wolverine got into our cache and destroyed every bit of fish and flour we had."

The threat slowly faded from the cold eyes and the gun went back to its holster. "Starved out, eh? You look it!"

"We were on our way to the Sinking Lakes to find the Montagnais." "Well, you'd have been out of luck if you hadn't struck this place. There are no hunters on the Sinking Lakes this winter."

Alan and Noel exchanged perplexed glances. "Now, boys," continued the giant, "I've got some caribou stew in the kettle that'll wipe that hungry look off your faces. Come in!"

"My dog, here," said Alan, "you'll give him something, too?"

"There's plenty of stew for you all. Unhitch him and bring him in." Dropping to his knees beside Rough, as he threw off his collar and belly-band, Alan whispered into a hairy ear: "You hear that, Rough? No more tough wolf! Stew! Deer stew for the big dog!"

"Drop your coats and moccasins and make yourselves cozy, boys," said their host, as the two starved men sucked in the appetizing odors emanating from a huge copper kettle, perched on a sheet-iron folding stove which stood at the side of the clay-plastered fireplace. The giant filled two aluminum cups and a pan from the kettle. "You'll get just one cup apiece, now. I'll knock you out, if you hog it in your condition. I guess the dog can stand a panful."

The speaker placed a dish, cooled with a handful of snow, before the ravenous husky, dropped some snow

into the cups and handed them to Alan and Noel.

"Steady, boys—not all at once!" he warned, as the two feverishly drank the nourishing and palatable broth.

"We've been living on wolf the last week—what there was of it," said Alan. "I got two but they were like rawhide—no strength in them."

"Timber wolves?"

"No, white Arctic wolves."

"That explains it—hunting south for the caribou, and most of the deer have moved east out of this country."

"That's why the Montagnais did not winter on the Sinking Lakes," nodded Alan.

Seated on a chair made of split spruce slabs, Alan threw curious glances about the interior of the cabin while the big, yellow-haired man offered Noel a plug of smoking tobacco and cut fillings for the huge pipe he held in his hand. The spruce log walls were carefully chinked with moss plastered with mud. Two small windows made of caribou parchment through which the last rays of the sun dimly entered were aided in lighting the room by a large candle set in a horn stick. On a wall a pair of caribou antlers held three rifles, while from their brow lines hung two belts with sheathed skinning knives. Built into a corner of the room was a double-decked bunk, matted with spruce boughs and covered with Hudson's Bay blankets and dressed caribou and bear skins. Near the bunk a ladder of spruce poles reached to a trapdoor in the left over the main room, and at the end of the room, for the chimney was on the side of the building, a closed glab door, hung on rawhide hinges, communicated with a second room.

These details the quick eyes of Alan covered with a glance. The clearing of his stomach was forgotten in his amazement at finding a permanent camp, which no man could build alone, on the headwaters of the Big River—on the frontiers of the unknown interior of Ungava. Who was this man and where were the others? For what were they here?

As the giant turned to him when he had lit Noel's pipe and his own, Alan pleaded: "Just one more cup of that stew!"

"No more, now," was the answer. "I'm boss here! Lie down, you two, and get some rest like the dog there. He's asleep already."

"No, not a mouthful!" the bearded man lifted a big hand in a gesture of refusal. "In an hour you'll have more. Then, when you get some strength, we'll talk. You're weak as rabbits, now."

So Alan and Noel stretched upon the lower section of the bunk and almost immediately the warmth of the cabin and the food in their stomach brought sleep.

## CHAPTER II.

An hour later Alan and Noel rose from the bunk, their drawn faces bearing at the thought of food. Smacking their cracked lips, they drank the nourishing liquid and asked for more.

"No, not yet!" refused their host. "It won't do to eat too fast. When did you lose your grub?"

"We left our camp ten days ago, with three rabbits."

The cold eyes softened. "Tough!" Then Alan suddenly demanded: "Tough?"

"He's out by the sled. Call him in."

Alan opened the door and the husky limped stiffly inside, emptied the pan offered him and sprawled on the floor with a contented grunt.

"Mind telling me where you got that dog?" asked McCord.

"I got him as a pup from a north coast Eskimo."

"He's a beauty," said the man with the scar, admiring the massive head with its black and white markings, the great frame, with white chest and socks.

"Since we're going to see something of each other before you head for home," went on the giant, "what's your name?"

"Alan Cameron. My father was

factor at Fort George. My partner's name is Noel Leloup."

The big man extended a calloused hand to each of the boys. "My name is John McCord. Welcome to Castle McCord," he added with a laugh.

Alan's mind was busy with the mystery of how this yellow-haired giant had found his way to the Talking River whose headwater lakes lie on the frontier of an unknown country. Who was he? Why did he come? Where were his men and dogs?

The cups and pan were shortly filled again. Then, lighting his pipe, McCord observed, "Worst tangle of lakes I ever saw—the held water country of these big rivers!"

"How did you get here?" The gray eyes of Cameron met the sudden scrutiny in the cold stare of his host.

"That's a fair question," admitted the latter, after an interval, the glitter slowly fading from his ice-blue eyes. "I came in from Rupert House with two canoes and six Indians. Some of my dogs were drowned in October on the young ice. My men took the rest and went to East Main for more."

"From Rupert House?" Alan and Noel exchanged puzzled looks.

"Yes, it took all summer. We were lost half the time. But we finally picked up a Montagnais who knew the portages to the Sinking Lakes. So here I am."

Alan's suspicions, aroused by their hostile reception, were fast fading under McCord's seeming frankness. But whom had McCord feared when he opened the door? Whom did he expect to meet here in the solitudes of the Talking River country? From the appearance of the cache he had plenty of supplies and men working for him.

"You know where you are?" asked Alan. "On the edge of an unknown wilderness. No hunter knows what lies beyond the Sinking Lakes. The Montagnais will not cross the divide."

The bearded man threw back his head with a great laugh. "I suppose there are evil spirits there, too, and giant Windigo who eat men alive?"

Into the dark eyes of Noel stole a look of uneasiness. Among his people belief in the supernatural was universal and to them the unknown heart of Ungava had, for generations, been a tabooed land, the home of demons.

(To Be Continued)

## Dwarf Stars.

## Strange Phenomena Is Discovered By New Telescopes

Remarkable discoveries of new telescopes, 18 dwarf stars, which are masses of fire compressed until the flames are thousands of times heavier than steel, were described to a conference on astrophysics.

New facts about these strange objects were reported by Dr. G. P. Kuiper, associate professor of astronomy, University of Chicago.

The dwarf stars range in size from that of the earth down to the moon. But each of them is from 150,000 to 800,000 times heavier than the earth. Their gravitational pull is so immense that the flames from their surface are only a few feet high. On the sun, by way of understanding how grotesque this is, flames leap up 800,000 miles high. Yet the sun is only half as hot as the surface as the average dwarf star.

## Romance In The North

## Lady From Edinburgh Travels To Baker Lake In Far North To Become Bride

Miss Jean Warren Stephen, Scottish lass, arrived at Churchill, en route from Edinburgh, Scotland to a Hudson's Bay Company post at Baker Lake in the sub-Arctic vastness 500 miles north of this northern grain port on the shores of Hudson Bay.

When she arrives at the far-north outpost, the Scottish lass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Stephen of Edinburgh, will become the bride of Peter Dalrymple, post manager at Baker Lake. Her husband-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Dalrymple, Midlothian, Scotland. Miss Stephen plans to remain at Baker Lake for two years before coming out for a holiday.

## Extremes Of Temperature

Using new radio sound observation instruments, Weather Man Ernest Carson reported one day recently that while the temperature was 75 in Miami, a reading of 93 below was recorded only 11 miles away. The 11-mile distance was straight up.

Periodically there is an agitation in favor of having all public holidays on Monday. We have a suggestion that begs that—why not have all the Mondays holidays?

A method of tenderizing meat by rays is a research contribution of the physics laboratory.

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## Follows Strange Calling

## Woman Keeps Spiders For The Gossamer Threads They Produce

With actions as quick as the scurrying of the 200 spiders she nurses and pets, Miss Mary Pfeiffer began her 51st year recently as a wanderer of the gossamer threads spun by her charges.

Her nimble fingers followed swiftly the web-spinning of one spider after another, spooling the silk with brisk efficiency. It's the "spider lady's" job to secure gossamer for insertion in the diaphragms of surveying telescopes. Her 50th year with the Keuffel and Esser plant at Hoboken, N.J., was completed and she was given a golden jubilee dinner by fellow employees and the company's board of directors.

Miss Pfeiffer is proud of her work, which includes the acquisition of the spiders, making them spin, spooling the thread as fast they spin it, and inserting the filament in the diaphragms of the instruments.

A spry, bespectacled woman, Miss Pfeiffer says her charges are captured in fields, barns and pig-stys because they spin the finest, yet strongest and most elastic silk.

Miss Pfeiffer obtains the silk by releasing one spider at a time from a community cage and allowing it to bolt for a window. Sometimes the spider sees it's being followed and quits cold. A more co-operative one replaces it.

## Quite An Occasion

Bear Creek Presbyterian church near Sarnia, Ont., has been open for 94 years, but this month, for the first time, it was the scene of a wedding. Congregation members were so excited about the occasion, they presented a Bible to the bride.

Great Britain has 200,000,000,000 tons of known coal reserves within a depth of 4,000 feet which would last for five centuries, Sir Harold Hartley, chairman fuel research board, said.

The population of Soviet Russia has more than doubled since 1926, the new census indicates. 2818

## Women Aviators

## Nearly Twice As Numerous In U.S. As They Were Two Or Three Years Ago

Women aviators—as old as 61 and as young as 16—are nearly twice as numerous in the United States as they were 2½ years ago.

The number holding licenses has jumped from 444 to 761 since February, 1937. In addition, there are 10 girl flyers in Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Alaska. The women fly big and little ships. Three are licensed to pilot gliders.

Most of them fly for fun, records at the Civil Aeronautics Authority show.

Although there are no women airline pilots at present, 70 have won the 200 solo hours required for a commercial or transport license. Another 27 hold the 60-hour limited commercial licenses which allow them to do charter business.

The women fliers range from grandmothers who dropped their knitting needles to take hold of the "stick" to debutantes who wedge their flying into fun-filled days.

The oldest woman pilot recorded is Edith Clark, 61, of Porterville, Cal.

## Fight With Sharks

## Three Men Had Narrow Escape In Fishing Boat Off Scotland

Three men had narrow escapes when a school of 50 basking sharks surrounded their boat and one of the sharks hurled the boat out of the water, off Peninver, six miles from Campbeltown, Argyllshire, Scotland. Blinded by water, Hugh Cameron, the owner, clung to the wheel, and brought the boat back to an even keel. Struggling to beat the sharks, the three men managed to reach land.

"We had not got far out when the Maggie (their motor-fishing boat) was surrounded by sharks—40 or 50 of them," Cameron said.

"Suddenly a fin appeared right in front of us, and I saw a shark rising to the surface underneath the boat. I could have touched it with my hand, I swung the Maggie round, but the propeller was struck by the shark, and we were swung out of the water."

## Changing Eating Habits

## English People Gradually Dropping Practice Of Large Meat Meals

P. A. Francis of Russell, near London, arrived at Quebec in the liner Empress of Australia with the word that the Mother Country's eating trend is away from the time-honored roast beef. Mr. Francis was en route to Cleveland to represent the British Government at the world poultry congress.

"In the Old Country we are turning more and more to light meals, salads, eggs and greens," he told reporters. "Gradually the population is dropping the practice of large daily meat meals."

He explained that no one wants to eat heavily when he has to spend the day at a desk or in a factory. Mr. Francis said the change has created an improved market for imported poultry. Canada figures largely in the supply, but her sales could be expanded.

England imports 60 per cent. of the eggs consumed and 30 per cent. of the poultry, he said. Canada supplies a large amount of poultry, but is faced with Danish competition in the egg market.

Parliament members are liable to imprisonment in the clock tower at the order of the speaker for persistent absence from the sittings of the House of Commons. Last imprisonment was in 1826.

Prince Edward Island, originator of the Canadian fur farming industry, now ranks fourth among the nine Canadian provinces in this respect.

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Mr. Robert Smith is away on his holidays this week.

Mrs. R. L. Simmerman and daughter Doreen are in Saskatoon with their sister and aunt, Mrs. K. Sparrow.

Mr. Clifford Smallwood of Cadogan, Alta., was home last week attending his uncle's funeral.

Mr. O. Vinjerud left on August 1 for a visit with friends at Lea Park, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ott returned from their holidays last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Frickleton arrived home from their trip to Vancouver Island last Tuesday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Greenberg arrived home from their holidays on Sunday, July 30th.

Mr. E. Simmonds received a telegram on Wednesday, August 2nd, that his brother-in-law and sister were the proud parents of twin babies, a boy and a girl. All are reported well.

Mr. James Watson of Edmonton is busy doing the plastering and stucco work on Mr. McMillan's new home. Mr. Watson did the stucco work for Mr. Bert Long last fall.

Mr. Alfred Walker, of Billy, Alta., has been visiting his father, Mr. W. E. Walker of Irma, and his sister, Mrs. V. Peterson. He left to visit his sister, Mrs. Wm. Field of Loreburn, Sask.

A meeting of all Social Creditors of the Irma district will be held in Kiefer's Hall on Monday, August 7th, at 8 p.m. As this a very important meeting a good attendance is requested.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole of Blue Ridge Alta., visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Coulman, last week and took in the Irma ball tournament on Thursday July 27th.

Rev. R. W. Griffith of Jarrov will occupy the Irma United Church pulpit the next three Sunday evenings in the absence of R. E. Longmire. The service will be at the usual hour of 8 o'clock. Sunday school every Sunday at 11 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Skiles of Ryley and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Eaton of Holden also were visitors in Irma on the sports day.

Alma Mater and Roseberry Ladies' Aid will be held on August 8th at the home of Mrs. J. C. McLean. After the short business period, a silver tea will be held. Neighbors and friends are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Bissell of Edmonton are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson. Other visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Watson on Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. F. Haire and daughter Dorothy of Edmonton, and Mrs. Clarke of Cranbrook, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mills returned to their home in Edmonton last Monday with Mrs. Tripp accompanying them for a two weeks rest when she expects to return to her home in Irma.

Miss Ethel Baynham has arrived to take over the Irma Beauty Parlor located at the home of Mrs. Bert Long. All interested in finger waves or permanent waves please phone No. 3 or call for appointments and prices.

Mrs. James Fenton received the sad news of the passing of her young brother's wife, Mrs. Harry Magee of Stettler on Saturday last. Mr. and Mrs. James Fenton, Mr. Stuart Fenton, Mrs. E. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. E. Fenton motored over to attend the funeral. Mrs. Magee was only 42 years of age and her untimely death leaves to mourn her loss her husband, two young sons and a host of sorrowing friends and relatives.

Mr. George Hodgkins was taken to the Wainwright hospital for medical treatment last week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Hutchinson spent a few days over the last week and visiting friends and relatives at Kerobert and Dodsland, Sask. They report the crops are looking very good in those districts.

The regular meeting of the Irma Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Martin Knudson on Thursday, August 10th. The devotionals will be taken by Mrs. Peterson and the hostesses are Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Knudson. It was decided at the last meeting to take up a special collection at the August meeting to help balance our accounts, thereby doing away with the necessity of holding a

## The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange, Director, "Crop Testing Plan"

The Armistice, which concluded hostilities in the late Great War, came into effect at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11th, 1918, but it was not until July 12th, 1919, just twenty years ago, that the war officially ended for on that date, and not until that date, did the Allied Nations lift the blockade against Germany, and it is recorded that on July 12th, 1919, a number of ships containing cotton, foodstuffs and other materials, for the first time since 1917, left United States ports for Germany.

Now, after exactly twenty years, there is talk again of war, of possible blockades, and of the curtailment of supplies of foodstuffs and of raw materials to European nations, just as it was prior to July 12th, 1919, twenty years ago.

The Allied soldiers who won the great victory and peace in 1918, and who, moreover, won also the friendship and respect of the defeated nations, will no doubt wonder what the politicians of the world have been doing during the last twenty years to bring the world once again back exactly to the same sad and distressing state that existed during the war years.

Where is this great victory and peace we won twenty years ago, old soldiers might ask.

"It would be an extraordinarily good thing if more women believed in themselves. It is often because we do not believe in ourselves that we do not have quite the influence that we should have in world affairs."—Professor Winnifred Cullis.

"One generation in Canada benefits from the experience of its predecessors and it is in the order of things as designed by Jesus Christ that the older and younger element should work together."—Dr. Frank Langford.

tea or sale to raise money. Will all members please make a special note of this.

The neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gwinn staged a surprise party at their home on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary on July 20. As the golden meal has been very scarce in the hands of the public for several years, pyrexware was substituted and many very fine pieces were given to Mr. and Mrs. Gwinn showing the esteem in which they are held in this district. The celebrants very kindly thanked their friends for the beautiful gifts. The evening was spent with singing, music and games, followed by a lovely lunch. Before leaving for home all joined hands and sang "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

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## World of Sport

By H. B. C.

The value of sport in the development of health and physique is generally recognized in regard to the individual. The value of robust boys and girls so far as the Dominion is concerned has not met with the consideration it deserves. Surely this question is one that should receive careful thought by the legislators. Observing the group of young men participating in that thrilling sport of Gliders in a field near Detroit, I was impressed by the skill displayed in manipulating those engineless planes. Each machine was of course equipped with the main features of a plane, but without any engine to give it headway. The pilot had to manipulate the controls and soar about in the heavens by taking advantage of air currents. Can you imagine a better training for prospective R.A.F. pilots? The government might well consider a subsidy to this sport as the most economical training grounds. Gliders can be made for \$200, while a plane costs between \$2000 and \$5000 for even the cheap ones used at training camps. The individual who has mastered the control of a glider is far more competent than one who is merely trained in a machine gas propelled. The frequency with which planes are wrecked when the engine stops, emphasizes the instruction of pilots instructed in operating gliders.

In talking to some of the local boys about this Detroit school in gliding, I learned that Vern Gilpin and a group of lads at Vegreville in 1928 built a glider and did some experimenting with it. Father McGrane of Irma is also an enthusiast in this exciting sport. There are hundreds of young people who will take up the sport if the government would assist a little in providing two-seaters with dual control, and instructors. Such assistance to this sport would eventually prove a great asset to the country.

At Detroit, formerly a tow-car pulled the glider into the air. Now a winch with a half-mile cable does it smoothly and without a jerk. The cost of the entire equipment does not appear to be great. As a thriller, it is a sport that is "top."

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